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Local Items.

Fresh and dried fruits at Rittenhouse's.
40,000 pounds of lime for sale at J. M. Ochola's.

Mr. M. M. Hickey and wife went to Casa Grande on Thursday on a short visit.

The new soda works are producing a good article and it meets with ready sale.

A fresh lot of staple and family groceries received this week at Rittenhouse's.

Mr. Buchanan, the photographer, will visit Pinal and Silver King before returning to Tucson.

Mr. A. T. Colton, engineer of the Florence canal, has tendered his resignation, to take effect on the 15th instant.

Mr. Geo. A. Stone came down from his ranch near Pinal last Sunday and brought his family back with him.

J. D. Rittenhouse received this week, direct from New York, a large invoice of men's, youth's and boys' hats the very latest styles.

Mr. J. N. Dodson of Mesaville was in Florence this week. His crop of hay this year is larger and better than any previous year.

Mr. A. P. Walbridge, of Casa Grande is pardonably happy over the birth of a daughter, which joyful event occurred in Spadra, Cal., on July 28th.

Mr. J. B. Remy has the thanks of the publishers for a box of splendid grapes. He has an abundance of them ripening at his ranch one mile east of town.

Mr. A. L. Atkinson and Miss Katie Everett were married at Casa Grande last Sunday evening. Their Florence friends tender their hearty congratulations.

Messrs. Weed & Meek display a very handsome sign in front of their drug store. It was made by Mr. J. A. Downs, and is a credit to his artistic ability.

Gen. J. B. Allen spent a few days in Florence this week a guest of Mr. Granville Wheat. He was en route to Tempe where he will reside in the future.

The Ice and Water Company will at once begin building their reservoir and laying mains. They will also order the machinery for the manufacture of ice at once.

Pinal county is on the eve of both a mining and agricultural boom. Her rich mines are attracting the attention of the country and her rich lands are being reclaimed rapidly.—Star.

Mr. Buchanan is an artist of distinguished ability and his pictures compare favorably with the best productions of the east or west. Now is the time to secure a good photograph.

Don't forget to get your picture taken while such an excellent opportunity exists. Mr. Buchanan will remain all next week, but those who wait until the last day or two may get crowded out. Go early.

County recorder B. J. Whitesides issued the following marriage license this week: Allen Atkinson to Bettie E. Everett, both of Casa Grande; and Adelbert Cox to Amelia T. Binkley, both of Pinal.

Mr. H. Buchanan went up the Florence canal at a very early hour this morning to photograph several very interesting views. He will be back by nine o'clock to day and ready to meet all who want good pictures.

All the lumber and timber work on the headgate of the Florence canal is finished and only a little scraper work now remains to finish it. All the construction work of the first fifteen miles will be completed and the water turned in by the first of September.

Mr. H. G. Howe returned from his surveying trip to Globe, last Tuesday, and went through to Tombstone. He expresses himself highly pleased with the Globe country as a mining section, and believes that rail transportation will make it boom.

The San Ricardo mining company of Sonora, has directed wisdom in securing the services of Mr. John M. Collins, one of the best mining foremen on the Pacific Coast. His long experience in mining will prove of great value to the company.

Messrs. Oury & Guild have put the "Western Addition" to Florence on the market, and now offer eligible building lots at terms that will suit any purchaser. This addition is composed of the Bartleson Tract, and is only three blocks west of Main street. It will be supplied with water by the Florence Ice and Water Company, while water for irrigating may be had from the Alamo Amarilla ditch.

Mr. H. Buchanan, one of the best photographers in the west, has arrived from Tucson and put up his huge tent opposite the southwest corner of the court house, and is now ready to take any and every kind of pictures. He invites everyone to call and see his samples. Those wanting pictures should call at once, and they will be fully completed before Mr. Buchanan leaves. He will remain only until the 14th.

By actual count forty window panes have been broken in the public school building by boys with their "bean shooters." One of these days some of them will be caught and made examples of. While the trustees are making these repairs it is suggested that they also change the exit doors, so that in case of fire the pupils might escape with reasonable certainty. A Tombstone teacher, it is said, has thoroughly drilled her pupils in a rapid and orderly exit in anticipation of a possible emergency, and at the top of the bell they clear the room with commendable promptness.

Having known some of the people from whom Reavis, the corsair of the Colorado and Pontius Pilate of the Gila and Salt rivers, says he got "his" grant, we risk nothing in reasserting our belief that the scheme was a put up one. It was constructed at Black Canyon, this county, by as foxy a person as ever lived in Arizona on food furnished by other people. Reavis is we believe innocent of the "put up" part of it. He believes the papers are correct, but they are not. The Parlatos never said they owned a grant; that is they never said so to any one in Arizona, unless it was to the late Dr. Willing, who no doubt prompted them to say so.—Courier.

THE VEKOL.

An Orderly and Well Regulated Camp—New Mines With Rich Ore—The New Town of Leroy.

The fame of the Vekol mine has out-crown its local character and mining men everywhere read with interest every reliable report of the developments made in this truly marvelous and mysterious mine. Theory cannot satisfactorily account for the phenomenally rich ore deposits so irregularly placed in the limestone of the Vekol mountains, but the bullion returns laugh at theory and deride the skepticism of the experts who judge by fixed and inflexible rule. A mine that has produced half a million dollars within two years from the time work began in the grass roots, and has more than a like value in sight, needs no other commendation of excellence.

There are about one hundred men employed in and about the mine and mill, many of whom have their families at the camp and are provided with comfortable houses by the owners of the mine, Messrs. J. D. and Lucien E. Walker. An abundance of water is provided by the new well, and from elevated reservoirs it is conducted to the various buildings in the camp. It is excellent water, and is always cool and palatable. A free bath has also been constructed for the use of the employees, and every possible convenience is provided for their welfare and comfort. The library is furnished with the latest newspapers and periodicals and it is an appreciated institution by the employees who pass their leisure hours in refreshing their minds with the news of the day.

There are no saloons in the camp and no liquors are permitted to be sold there, and therefore there are no broils nor quarrels and all the men exhibit a thrift that is in strange contrast with many other camps. Mr. Walker has exercised his authority in this respect in the most commendable manner and it exhibits the worthy interest he feels in the welfare of his employees. His example is indeed commendable and it illustrates the influence exerted by the controlling power of a camp upon the moral as well as the physical condition of its inhabitants.

A well kept store supplies everything needed by the people, and goods are sold at very reasonable prices that are fully satisfactory to all its patrons. It was not established for profit but for the accommodation of the employees of the Messrs. Walker, and it is conducted solely with that end in view. The boarding house is a model of excellence, and good, wholesome, food is provided for everyone. The mill is one of the best in the country, and its ten stamps now run day and night, crushing from twenty to twenty-five tons of ore every twenty-four hours. The ore cars run from the mine into the mill without unloading and economy of labor is noticeable in every department of the workings. All the machinery works to perfection, and the pumps furnish more water than all the uses of the mill and the camp require, and they are kept running only a portion of the time.

In another column is given a description of the geological features of the section of the country in which the Vekol is situated, written by a gentleman thoroughly conversant with the subject, and it may be relied upon as correct in every particular. Among the other claims that show rich developments may be mentioned the Great Eastern and Mayflower, owned by Messrs. C. Hinds and L. D. Chilson. They lie southwesterly from the Vekol, at the end of the mountain range. They have an open cut 35 feet into the hill, with a 45 foot crosscut in which several strata of ore are found. At 31 feet below the bottom of the cut they have a 31 foot ledge of high grade ore that assays about three hundred ounces in silver per ton. The ore body dips towards the Vekol, and is similar in character and alike pocket. These properties are highly promising and high hopes are entertained that they will develop equal to the Vekol.

Superintendent Day, of the Vekol, owns the Rocky, and a cut shows a big vein of high grade ore just uncovered. Other adjoining claims also show evidences of mineral wealth and some of them will undoubtedly develop into good mines.

A road will soon be constructed from the Great Eastern claim to the Vekol mill which will be enlarged to work this ore on contract. Below the Mayflower Mr. E. A. Saxe's new town of Leroy has been laid out and he is sinking a well to supply it with water. It is a very eligible location for a town and when the camp booms, as it surely will before long, quite an attractive and important town will grow up and flourish there.

The New Liquor Law.

Editor ENTERPRISE:—By the Penal Code in force since July 1st, 1887, I find sec. 635 page 723-4 provides, that "every person who sells or furnishes or causes to be sold or furnished intoxicating liquors to any Indian or habitual or common drunkard, is guilty of a misdemeanor." And in sec. 19 page 682 this offense subjects the party guilty thereof to imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding 6 months or by a fine not exceeding \$300 or by both. Now the question I want to propound to you is what accustomed condition constitutes an habitual or common drunkard, and how this is to be determined? The prosecution to convict would be required to prove that the accused party knowingly sold or furnished or caused to be sold or furnished to an habitual or common drunkard and the party receiving such. It therefore becomes important to the prosecutor and the defense and still more to the liquor dealers throughout the Territory to correctly understand the legislative definition of a habitual or common drunkard and the class of persons intended to be included. Every man to hold to know the law and under this inflexible rule every dealer is in constant peril of violating this section of the Penal Code, notwithstanding the fact that to many it is intended to rely upon. Bouriers' law dictionary defines habitual drunkard: "a person given to ebriety or excessive use of intoxicating drink who has lost the power or the will to control his appetite for it." A common drunkard can hardly mean much less. The word "common," signifies frequent, usual, customary, habitual. The law says either one or the other, can you draw the distinction between habitual drunkard and a common drunkard, so the people will understand it? or suggest a plan for the safe guidance of the dealers in liquors to adopt? It may be that the law may not be enforced; otherwise those in danger of violating it ought to be admonished in time of such danger, and you may do some for by calling attention to the matter. Editorial comments are in order.

FLORENCE AND THE GILA VALLEY.

What General Thos. F. Wilson says about the Gila valley and the Great Florence Canal and Mesa City and Vicinity.—The Titles Undisturbed.

(Tucson Star.)
"I understand that you have been at Florence and along the Gila valley and examined the great irrigating canal, what do you think of that portion of Arizona?" said a representative of the Star to General Wilson yesterday.

"Yes I went up there last week with Mr. D. S. Thomas, the president of the Florence Canal and Water Company. At Casa Grande station we took a team for Sacaton, having some business with Mr. Howard, the Indian agent there. We found that gentleman preparing to start east on a thirty days leave of absence. He is entitled to it this hot weather, having earned it by attention to business. Mr. Howard in a casual way explained to us the actual facts about the withdrawal of certain townships of public lands from location near Mesa city, which has created considerable excitement in that section.

The facts are, said Mr. Howard, a number of Indians have locations in these townships which they have been in possession of and cultivated from time immemorial. The intention is to get these Indians on the reservation proper, but in the meantime their holdings should not be disturbed. There are not many of them and to avoid their being trespassed on, some years ago an order was issued by the president withdrawing the townships in which the few Indian settlements are situated from location and settlement.

The register's office under Mr. Bailey failed to observe this order of the president and it was very likely that the whites should get on the lands reserved temporarily to the Indians. Commissioner of the General Land Office Sparks at the instance of the commissioner of Indian affairs directed Mr. Bailey to respect the order of the president issued some years ago. The whites who have settled on lands not occupied by the Indian in these townships have not and will not be disturbed. Even where whites and Indians are on the same quarter section there has not been and doubtless will not be any trouble, if the whites do not interfere with the first right of the Indians.

The talk about the unsettling the titles of the whites in these townships is all nonsense. There was no such purpose on the part of the Indian bureau, the general land office or anybody else. It all originated in the imaginative brain of Mr. Bailey. He is out of the land office and the question had expired with his official existence. The Mesa City people and other settlers in these townships are not disturbed over the matter, and have no cause to be. They and the Indians are getting along peaceably and they always have and that is all there is in it.

"What did you see about the reservation, are the Indians progressing and in comfortable condition?" Yes, we drove along the Gila valley for miles through the reservation. The Indians have some rich and productive lands. Several of the villages located on the mesa which we drove through looked clean and healthy. The Indians with their families were generally in the river valley gathering in their crops. Under the management of Mr. Howard these Indians are becoming quite thrifty. They are not as idle and indolent as the average frontiersman, but they are doing remarkably well. They are far from being savages. They have homes which are quite comfortable, and for Indians are remarkably industrious and thrifty and as peaceable and quiet as any in Arizona. Their progress is slow, but still they are advancing. We saw several of their teachers. They were bright, intelligent young ladies from the east competent to teach in any schools. The young Indians have every opportunity to acquire a common school education, and are profiting by it to as great if not a greater extent than the children of the uneducated classes in the great cities of the east." "Did you examine the Florence canal and when do you think water will be let into it?"

"Yes, from Sacaton we followed the river to Austin's store and thence to Florence. It is a beautiful, rich and productive valley. Florence is nestled in the most fertile part of it, and in and around Florence are evidences of high civilization and solid comfort. The people of Florence are full of frontier vim and industry. They produce more than they consume. They have done this with the old system of irrigation. With the new canal Florence is bound to boom and boom permanently. They have all the natural requirements to make the section of country along the canal for ten miles above Florence to the railway twenty-six miles distant a perfect garden. There is no section of a greater extent in Arizona or even in the most developed portions of southern California that has a brighter future before it than Florence and its vicinity. The people of Florence are alive to their advantages. They are proud of their great canal and well they may be. They are the kind of people that will attract immigration to their section. They are hospitable and cheerful. I did not meet a kicker or grumbler while there. They stand in with each other and up for each other in true western style.

"The canal is a work of magnitude. When finished the main line and branches will be over fifty miles in length. It is constructed in the most substantial manner. At the bottom it is twenty-five feet wide. Its construction is slow, but the river is along the mesa or second bank of the river towards the old ruins of the Casa Grande to a point on the Southern Pacific railway not yet fixed upon. Ten miles of the canal are practically built and they are constructing it at the rate of more than a mile a week. By the first of September the headgate, which is a costly and difficult piece of work, will be finished and the water turned into more than fifteen miles of the main line of the canal. When completed the canal and its branches will furnish ample water to irrigate one hundred and fifty thousand acres of as fine lands as the sun shines on. There is not a product that grows in the semi-tropics that cannot be produced profitably in the lands watered by this canal. Within a few years thirty thousand prosperous people will be living along this canal between the railway and the Gila river where there is scarcely an inhabitant now. Several active, thrifty towns will spring up on its borders. It is the corner stone of the future of this section of Arizona. I first struck the territory in the year 1872 and in all these years I have not seen any thing more encouraging for the permanent prosperity of Arizona than this great irrigating canal.

The finest townships in the country and the best stock, at Drew & Bambrick's livery stable.

Editorial comments are in order.

Fish on the Desert.

A most astonishing discovery was made one day some two weeks ago, on the desert about ten miles southeast of Mayhew's halfway house between Florence and Casa Grande, and three miles from Mr. J. C. Loss's ranch. Felix Mayhew and a Mexican were out hunting horses when they captured a small water hole some two or three feet in diameter and quite shallow. Mr. Mayhew rode to it intending to water his horse, when he found it alive with fish. He left the Mexican at the place and rode to Loss's ranch for a bucket to save them alive, and when he returned the rapidly receding water had left the fish almost dry. Out of the little hole were taken four fine carp, one five inches, one ten inches, one twelve and one thirteen inches in length, and they are now enjoying the hospitalities of Mr. Mayhew's water tank and may be seen by any one that passes his station. How the carp reached the water hole is the great mystery, as no one has noticed sufficient overflow of the Santa Cruz to bring them across sixty miles of desolation, and yet there is no other way of accounting for their presence on the desert. If they came from Silver Lake, at Tucson, they evidently left home in a great hurry, for none of them brought a canteen.

Good Results in Every Case.

D. A. Bradford, wholesale paper dealer of Chattanooga, Tenn., writes that he was seriously afflicted with a severe cold that settled on his lungs; had tried many remedies without benefit. Being induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, did so and was entirely cured by use of a few bottles. Since which time he has used it in his family for all coughs and colds with best results. This is the experience of thousands whose lives have been saved by this wonderful discovery. Trial bottles free at J. D. Rittenhouse's.

School Matters.

The Board of School trustees have organized by the election of Mr. D. C. Stevens chairman and Dr. Wm. Harvey, clerk. In drawing lots for terms, Mr. T. F. Weedin drew the long term, Mr. Stevens the middle term and Dr. Harvey the short term.

The position of Principal was tendered to Miss Mary E. Meek, and that lady has notified the board of her acceptance. Mrs. M. E. Wratten has been appointed assistant.

The second department has been tendered Mr. J. C. Watson, now principal of the public school at Monona, Iowa, and the next department to Miss Gattie Hildebrandt of the same place, both of whom have furnished the highest recommendations.

Mrs. Ballou will be the janitress. The school will open on the first Monday in September.

A grade will be added to the school higher than hitherto taught and the school will in many ways be improved.

Physicians Have Found Out.

That a contaminating and foreign element in the blood, developed by indigestion, is the cause of rheumatism. This settles upon the sensitive subcutaneous covering of the muscles and ligaments of the joints, causing constant and shifting pain, and aggregating as a calcareous, chalky deposit which produces stiffness and distortion of the joints. No fact which experience has demonstrated in regard to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has stronger evidence to support than this, namely that the medicine of comprehensive uses checks the formidable and atrocious disease, nor is it less positively established that it is preferable to the poisons often used to arrest it, since the medicine contains only salutary ingredients. It is also a signal remedy for malarial fevers, constipation, dyspepsia, kidney and bladder ailments, debility and other disorders. See that you get the genuine.

Letter From Pinal.

Mr. W. Gehring, of Geo. Marlow & Co. butchers of this place, was bitten on Tuesday evening last by a white tarantula, but owing to the prompt administration of the proper antidote the bite did not result seriously.

Mr. Thos. Blake has returned from his trip to the mountains greatly improved in health and is again at his old stand as smiling and as jovial as ever. It has leaked out since his return that during an afternoon ramble amid the wilds of nature he accidentally stumbled upon a bonanza in the shape of a hair elixir that bids fair to bring joy to the hearts of the bald headed part of the world. Now if there is anything that Baker is vain of it is his own luxuriant growth of hair, which is the envy of many of our young society men and not being able to try his new discovery on his own head for the reason that he has already too much hair and their being no bald headed men in Pinal, he is now meditating a trip abroad for the purpose of introducing this wonderful balm and gathering in the shekels.

Mr. Thos. Buckman has purchased from Mr. W. L. Arnett the entire band of cattle and horses known as the Willy brand and is now gathering them and removing them to his ranch 10 miles north of town, where he has a splendid range and is developing an abundance of water.

Mr. Dobie has about recovered from his recent injuries.

Mr. Al. Cox and Mrs. Binkley, both old residents of this camp, were quietly married at their future residence in Pinal on last Wednesday evening. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Cox join in wishing them abundant happiness long life and prosperity.

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MARRIED.
In Casa Grande, August 31st, by Judge Marshall, Mr. Al Atkinson and Miss Hattie Everett.

In Pinal, August 3rd, Mr. Al Cox and Mrs. Binkley.

BORN.
In Spadra, Cal., on July 28th, to the wife of A. F. Walbridge, a daughter.
In Florence, August 6th, 1887, to the wife of J. D. Rittenhouse, a son.

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